

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)
FOR THE
CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP)**

December 11, 2003

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The one hundred and forty-fourth meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was held in the SamTrans Offices, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, Bacciocco Auditorium. Chair Geoff Kline called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

Member Attendance:

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| George Bagdon | present | Craig Ewing | present | Parviz Mokhtari | absent |
| Merrill Buck | present | Gene Gonzolo | present | Meg Monroe | present |
| April Chan | present | Howard Goode | present | Ruben Niño | absent |
| Dennis Chuck | present | Corinne Goodrich | present | Van Ocampo | present |
| Neil Cullen | present | Geoff Kline | present | Larry Patterson | present |
| Ray Davis | absent | John Lisenko | absent | Marc Roddin | present |
| Kent Dewell | absent | Jon Lynch | present | Mo Sharma | present |
| Mark Duino | present | Rick Mao | present | | |

Others attending the meeting were: Joe Hurley (Transportation Authority), Richard Napier (C/CAG), Jim Bigelow and Onnolee Trapp (CMAQ), Pat Dixon (Transportation Authority Citizens Advisory Committee), Sandy Wong (C/CAG), Tom Madalena (San Mateo County Planning), Randy Breault (Brisbane), Fernando Bravo (East Palo Alto), Jeff Georgevich (MTC), Lee Panza (C/CAG, TA, City of Brisbane), Richard Cook (SamTrans), Terry Klim (DKS Associates)

1. Public comment on items not on the Agenda

None.

2. Issues from the last C/CAG and CMAQ meetings

- Items are as listed on the Agenda.

3. Approval of the Minutes from September 18, 2003 meeting

Motion: To approve the minutes. Unanimous.

4. Responses to comments on the draft 2003 CMP and recommendation to adopt the 2003 CMP

- Geoff Kline summarized that a total of three sets of comments were received on the draft 2003 CMP. Those comments were from MTC, City of Redwood City, and Caltrans. Changes to the draft 2003 CMP have been made based on the comments from MTC and the City of Redwood City. However, since the comments from Caltrans were received after the close of the review period, responses to the Caltrans comments were handed out during the meeting.

Motion: To recommend adoption of the 2003 CMP. Unanimous.

5. Ramp Metering Presentation

- Terry Klim of DKS Associates gave a presentation on the Ramp Metering Study. This is a second presentation of the study including preliminary findings to date. There is no conclusive finding from the study yet as to whether or not ramp metering is beneficial. The analyses done so far are for the freeway system that includes the ramps. There seems to be enough evidence of benefit to the freeway system, at least to warrant continuation of the study. Local street analysis will be done in the next step.
- Some members were concerned with the scenario in which it allows 50-vehicle queues at the on-ramps. Terry explained that it was for academic purposes only, and that most ramps didn't build up to that queue length.
- When asked whether sensitivity analysis will be performed as part of the study, Terry's answer was negative.
- The next step of the study will be "Local Street Analysis". It will use the average delay at each on-ramp as input to feed back into the model and rerun the model.
- The TAC agreed to approve Terry's recommendation to proceed with only Scenario 1 (Limited Metering) in the next step.

6. TAC Recommendations on Reauthorization of Measure A

- Joe Hurley, along with Mo Sharma and Pat Dixon who attended the Measure A (current Measure) Workshop conducted in Daly City, gave an update of the Workshop. The overall impression was that people were very focus and seemed only interested in their local areas.
- Howard Goode stated that based on the Measure A Continuation Workshop with the city managers, there is a strong desire for more flexibility in the Measure, both within and between programs.
- Work will continue to develop a viable ballet for November 2004.

7. Other Business

- Richard Napier announced that the MTC Transportation 2030 Plan current staff recommendation is very much in agreement with that of the Public Works Directors and the CMAs. The recommendation includes a proposed \$900 million in this 25-year plan for local streets and roads shortfall. In addition, it is recommended that this money can be spent not only on the MTS system but also on arterials. Brian Lee, Chairperson for the Local Streets and Roads Committee, mentioned that although the MTC staff recommendation is by far better than the last RTP (\$140 million), it is still a long way from meeting the \$7 billion of need. Part of the success is owed to support from many cities, mostly from San Mateo County.
- Geoff Kline announced that the MTC Traffic Engineering Technical Assistance Program (TETAP) application period will be March 2004. Jeff Georgevich of MTC is the contact person. In addition, MTC Regional Signal Timing Program will be out soon for applications.
- Neil Cullen said letters regarding the Safe Route to School Program were sent to Superintendents of schools. The Superintendents may be calling Public Works departments on this matter.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.